Bifurcation of NHAI

1123. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a demand is pending to bifurcate the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI);

(b) if so, the details of this demand of Road Safety Forum;

(c) whether it is a fact that the NHAI has been able to administer the expensive work done by contractors;

(d) the manner in which Government would create a body or system to supervise the contractors and sub-contractors who do NHAI work;

(e) whether a separate body is required to carefully monitor the actual road construction of NHAI; and

(f) the steps proposed to bifurcate the NHAI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

By-pass in Gwalior on NH-3

†1124. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has sanctioned the proposal to make a by-pass in Gwalior city on National Highway No. 3;

(b) by when the work on this proposal is likely to be started;

(c) the anticipated expenditure of this construction work; and

(d) whether any provision has been made for this item in the Budget of 2007-08?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir. Construction of 4-lane Gwalior bypass has been taken up on BOT (Annuity) basis. The bypass connects NH 3 at chainage km. 103.100 and NH-75 at chainage km. 16.00 and the total length of the bypass is 42.03 km.

(b) and (c) The date of commencement of work is 07.04.2007 and the period of construction is 30 months. The awarded cost of the project is Rs. 300.93 crores.

(d) No, Sir.

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